

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, May 23, 1726.

From the Evening Post, May 14.

London, May 14.

**Y**esterday-morning his Majesty went from St. James's to Hounslow-heath. His R. Highness the Pr. of Wales went also thither; where two Regiments of Dragons of Evans and Churchill, pass'd in Review, making a good Appearance; and after that performed an Exercise both on Foot and on Horseback, which gave such Pleasure to his Majesty, that we hear he was pleas'd to say, he believ'd there were not two finer Regiments in the World. The Concourse of People was exceeding great to see the King, who rode from Rank to Rank, and was many Hours on Horseback, attended by vast Numbers of the Nobility, &c. and returned in the Afternoon to St. James's to Dinner.

The same Day Capt. John Jeane was hang'd at Execution-dock, pursuant to his Sentence, for the barbarous Murder of his Cabbin boy. He was afterwards hang'd in Chains over-against the Powder-houses below Greenwich; the Gibbet erected for that Purpose over-against Cuckholds Point, having been removed lower down on the River-side, upon the Petition of the neighbouring Inhabitants. He seem'd stupid at the Place of Execution, and said he had left his *Thoughts* with a Clergyman.

The new Duke of St. Albans continues very dangerously ill.

We hear his Grace the Duke of Manchester will be made Captain of the Band of Pensioners, in room of the late D. of St. Albans.

*Diamond Man of War, Bay of Honduras, March 5.*  
In our Way from Jamaica we met with a Pyrate-sloop of 4 Guns among the Rattan Islands, which we took: The Crew of her inform'd us, that they had parted with a large Sloop of 8 Guns and 27 Men. We immediately fill'd up the Sloop, manning her with 50 Hands, and went in quest of the Pyrate, whom we soon found and engag'd: In boarding her, she blew up her Cabbin, which did us the most Mischief; but after a short Dispute, they cried for Quarters. We had one Man killed and 12 wounded; and the Pyrate had 4 killed and 12 wounded. She was call'd *The Night's Ramble*,

and was commanded by one Cooper. We fitted up this last for cruising, and with her took that notorious Rogue Shipton, and 5 Men of Sprigs's Crew; and had certainly taken Sprigs too, had not the Night favour'd the Vilain. The Day following we met with the Arch-pyrate Lowe, and should certainly have taken him, had we not, by an unlucky Accident, lost our Canoe. Lowe has but 8 Men, and Sprigs had but 3. and are without a Canoe or Ammunition, skulking ashore in the Island of Rattan.

From the Flying Post, May 14.

To the Author of the Flying-Post.

**'T**IS well known, that for thirty Years and upwards, there has been a Society of worthy Persons, associated for putting our Laws in Execution against Vice and Immorality: Their Success has been considerable, as appears by the yearly Accounts of the Persons that have been convicted and punished by their Means. To them are we indebted, that Lewdness is under any Restraint: That Vice is forced into Corners, and seeks the Cover of Privacy and Darknes: To them we are indebted, that horrid Oaths and Curses are in any Measure check'd; we may now walk the Streets, with less Disturbance and Hazard from impious Wretches; our Children and Servants less exposed to Snares and Temptations. But never did these Gentlemen appear so illustrious, as by the late Detection, and Prosecution of those detestable and abandon'd Sinners, the Sodomites: Men so left of God, as to sink below the Brutes: So provoking a Sin, that a peculiar Brand of Divine Displeasure is fix'd upon it in the Sacred Record. Must it not startle every virtuous Mind, that in such a Land as ours, so peculiarly blessed, above all the Nations of the World, with Gospel Light, any should be found so lost to all Sobriety and Vertue: What Fear and Concern should be excited in every pious Breast, lest the divine Displeasure should break forth in some remarkable Judgment, and make a final End of such a sinful People? Can any that wish well to their dear Country, refuse Assistance for detecting and punishing those



these Miscreants? Were it not for a small Remnant, we might fear, that as we are in Sin, so we should soon be in Punishment, like unto Sodom and Gomorrah. May Almighty God incline the Hearts of all virtuous Persons to assist in detesting all such. How should every Hand be employ'd, as in a threatening Conflagration to bring their Buckets to quench those Flames that tend to universal Ruin! Though some Progress has been made with Success, yet is there much, yea very much, still to do; for the Infection has spread far and wide. May a Blessing attend further Endeavours, in order to the averting deserved Judgments, by putting a Check upon this growing Vice!

*From the Flying Post, May 14.*

*Extract of a Letter from Paris, May 10.* Bread is at last sold again into a reasonable Price, thro' the indefatigable Care of Mr. Samuel Bernard, Count of Coubert, who has saved Paris and all France from Famine, by the vast Quantity of Corn he has caused to be brought from all Parts of Europe; so that over and above our Wants, we can hardly find Places enough to store it in, since above 100 Vessels together have several times entered the Seine, to the Astonishment of the Court as well as of the City.

New Regulations are preparing for the India Company, which will secure the Credit of the same, and enable them next Year to make a Dividend of 200 Livres. On the 3d Instant M. de Voltaire was released from the Bastile, and conducted as far as Calais, being allowed to go over into England, and forbid to come within 50 Leagues of the Court. 'Tis said he will publish at London, a large Edition of his famous Poem of the League, whereof we have only an imperfect Copy.

*From Mist's Weekly Journal, May 14.*

They write from Paris, that Lieutenant General Caylus, an Officer in the Service of the King of Spain, and who was expected there, is not yet arrived from Madrid, and it is said, his Journey is deferred for a few Days. The Journey of this Gentleman occasions various Speculations.

They write from Brussels, That the Ostend Company have received no Advice of any Misfortune happening to one of their Ships in India; on the contrary they give out, that it is a Piece of News made at London.

By our last Letters from St. James's Coffeehouse, we have received Advice, That Things have taken a more happy Turn than could have been expected in so short a Time; for the Rival Queens *Faustina* and *Cinzani*, whose Jealousies of each others Pow-

er might have divided us into Party and Confusion, have been prevailed upon to speak to each other, and some Advices say even to sup together, without Suspicion of Poison of either Side. This important Affair could not have been brought about, had it not been for the indefatigable Industry of several great Persons who interested themselves therein, and settled the Ceremonial of their Meeting, to the great Joy of all the Wise Men of Gotham. I know that some People will dispute the Truth of this Piece of News, because S. S. has not risen upon it.

Saturday last several Coach Houses and Stables which were building near Hanover Square, and which were roof'd in, fell suddenly down, it is supposed by a little Blast of Wind, but the Men being gone to Dinner no Body was hurt.

It is the general Opinion, that a War will soon break out. Some pretend to have Advices of the Chevaliers coming to Liege. Letters from Italy speak of his leaving Rome, but mention nothing of the Place he is gone to, however, Methods are pursuing, as 'tis hoped will render the Attempts of the Enemies fruitless.

*From the Post-Man, May 14.*

*Rome, April 27.* We have received Advice, that the Council of Finances at Naples has received Orders from the Emperor, to call in all the coin'd Silver that they can; that it may be applied to the Charges of the War, which seems unavoidable.

The Mail that arrived on Thursday in the Evening from Flanders, brought Letters from Ceuta in Africa, dated the 12th of April last, giving a long Relation of a considerable Advantage gain'd by the Garrison of that Town, in a Sally they made the 7th of the same Month upon the Moors, who form the Blockade of it, by burning their Barracks, and many of the Moors that were in them; by springing their Mines they had prepared on purpose, and blowing up several of their Redoubts, and above 50 Fathoms in length of their Approaches, together with the Infidels that guarded them. After which they retired into the Town, with no other Loss on their Side, save one Soldier killed, and 6 wounded.

*Wye's Letter verbatim, London, May 17.*

*Since our last arrived a Holland and French Mail.*

IN the Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Arrests, is the following Clause; That for avoiding the great Mischief and Abuses which arise from infamous and wicked Persons, already convicted of wil-

**wilful Perjury or Forgery, their practising as Attorneys or Solicitors;** it is enacted, That any Person, who hath been or shall be convicted of Forgery, or wilful and corrupt Perjury, or Subordination of Perjury, or common Barratry; and shall, after the 24th of June 1726, act or practise as Solicitor or Attorney, or Agent, in any Court in that Part of G. Britain called England; the Judge or Judges of the Court shall, upon Complaint or Information thereof, examine the Matter in a summary Way in open Court: And if it shall appear to the Satisfaction of the Judge, that the Person complain'd of hath offended contrary to this Act; such Judge or Judges shall cause such Offender to be transported for 7 Years to some one of his Majesty's Colonies in America; and under such Pains and Penalties as Felons transported.

The Bill to declare and settle the Rights and Interests of the Executors to the Estates of Testators, Enacts, That where any Person hath made, or shall hereafter make his last Will and Testament, and hath not made a Disposition of his or her whole Personal Estate, the Executors of such Will shall be interested in and entitled to such Part thereof, as by such Will shall not be expressly disposed of by the Testator, after Debts and Legacies, &c. be fully paid and discharged, as by the Common Laws of England they would have been entitled unto. This Act is not to extend to Scotland.

Yesterday the Lords passed the above Bill relating to vexatious Arrests.

The Commons resolved, *nemine contradicente*, that John Ward, Esq; be expelled the House, having been convicted of the Crime of Forgery.

'Tis reported that the Earl of Cadogan is given over by his Physicians.

The Corpse of the late Governor Pitt sets out next Thursday for Salisbury, where he is to lie in State, and thence proceed on Saturday to St. Mary Stamford in Dorsetshire, the Place of his Nativity, there to be interr'd.

The Affairs abroad carry an ill Aspect. Mean Time one would think, That thro' the excellent Management of our Ministry, and the extraordinary Zeal and Unanimity shewn by the Parliament, as also the loyalty and Fidelity of the Kingdom to his Majesty's Person and Government; these would put us above the entertaining any Apprehensions of Designs to be formed in Favour of the Pretender. But so we are told it is, That the News of his undertaking a Journey to Vienna, and other Courts that seem most to espouse his Interest, has not a

little contributed to the depreciating of the publick Stock: That of S. S. is fallen to 95 per Cent. Annuities to 87. Bank 116. India 137. Lottery Tickets 1 l. 2 sh. Discount.

There's scarce a Day passes but we hear of absurd and ridiculous Reports; amongst the rest, That a Proposal of Marriage will be made, between the D. of Wharton and a certain Great Princess in the North; and that the same is concerted by the Emperor and K. of Spain. There's a Talk of some new Regiments to be levied.

An Express is arrived from Copenhagen, with Advice, That on the 3d Inst. Sir Ch. Wager proceeded thence with his Squadron toward the Height of Stockholm; and that on the 7th he was seen off Oysted, steering his Course with a fair Wind.

This Day the Commons deferred the Call of the House *sine die*. Read a first time the Testators Bill; and the Question being put for a 2d Reading, 'twas carried in the Negative.

*From the Evening-Post, May 17.*

**Brussels, May 20.** For six Weeks last past the Auctions of our India Company have been 10 or 11 per Cent. above Par.

**Vienna, May 11.** The Emperor having Advice, that the King of Prussia is marching 40,000 of his Troops towards the Frontiers of Poland, designs to send the like Number of Imperialists that Way.

**Dantzick May 8.** An Ambassador from the Crown of France is shortly expected at Warsaw, the major Part of his Baggage and Domesticks being already arrived.

**Rome, May 4.** Last Wednesday the Chevalier de St. George went away in a Post Chaise followed by two Coaches, some say for Orvietto, where Cardinal Gualtieri resides, but others will have it, that he is gone another Way, upon a Design which will not be long a Secret.

**Petersburg, May 1.** The Army which is drawing together in the Neighbourhood of Riga, will be augmented to 60,000 Men; and will go and encamp in Courland.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, May 17.*

**Vienna, May 11.** Prince Eugene has sent a Letter by a trusty Domestick to Turin, which he is charged to deliver into the K. of Sardinia's own Hand, soliciting his Accession to the Treaty of Vienna.

**London, May 17.** We hear, that by Report made to his Majesty concerning the naval Preparations, it appears, That 18,000 Men have been impressed for



for the Sea Service; and that 22,000 Protections have been granted to Coasters, Coalliers; &c.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

\* \* \* The ROYAL COLLEGE of PHYSICIANS in Edinburgh, upon Application made to them by Mr. Francis Congalton and Mr. Robert Hope, Surgeons in Edr. to examine their Method of curing Ruptures; did appoint Two of their Fellows to inspect the said Method: Who reported, That they had seen and observed a real Rupture perfectly cured by the above Persons. And the COLLEGE being likewise certainly informed, of their having perform'd several other Cures of the same Nature; Therefore, being desirous to encourage all such useful Discoveries, do Recommend the said Mr. Francis Congalton and Mr. Robert Hope, Gentlemen of a deserved Reputation in their Profession, as having singular Knowledge and Skill in curing of Ruptures. And We order our President to sign this in our Name; allowing it to be made publick.

J. DRUMMOND. P. C. R. M. E.

††† To all Noblemen, Gentlemen, Merchants and others, That the LEAD SHOT Manufactory at Edinburgh is settled a little within the Nether Bow, South-side of the Street, at the Fountain-clois Head; where all Sizes are made and sold, by David Roberison Master of the Factory.

[6] That the Roup and Sale of certain EQUIVALENT DEBENTURES, to the Amount of L. 1368 sterl. of principal, with the Interest due thereupon from Michaelmas 1724, formerly advertised to have been within the Parliament-house of Edinburgh, upon the 17th of May Inst. was adjourned to TUESDAY the 31st Instant: betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon, the Roup and Sale of the said Debentures, and Interest due thereon, is to proceed in the Parliament-house, before the Lord. Pancautland, or the Lord Ordinary on the Bills for the Time.

††† Strayed from Hamilton, upon the 10th of May belonging to his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, an old Falcon, with a white Feather upon each Wing; Any Person that can give Notice of said Falcon so as to come to any of his Grace's Doors, either at Edinburgh or Hamilton. Let them call either at the Palace of Hamilton or at Mr. Patrick Finlay's Shop at the Head of Blackfriar Wynd, Edinburgh, and they shall have 5 Guineas Reward, and all Charges paid.

Fishery-Office, 19 May, 1726.

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale, at their Office, on TUESDAY the 24th Inst. at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates, for Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

Four new Herring-nets, at 3 L. sterl. each.

Eight ditto, containing 110 undress'd ditto, at 15 sh. each.

Utenils for a Twine-work per Inventory, to be set up at L. 9, 17, 8 sterl.

Ditto for the Cod-fishing, as per Inventory; to be set up at L. 14, 1, 8.

Ditto for a Barking-house, per ditto, to be set up at L. 14, 16, 4 sterl.

The above Goods will be shown at Leith by David Dae the Copartnery's Agent, and the Inventories and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market. Also there will be exposed to publick Sale at the said Office, and at the same Hour, 88 Lafts, 1 3d of Herring Barrels lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, to be sold as they lie, at 14 sh. per Laft.

Notice is also hereby given, That the Managers of the Fishing Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale by Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-Market in Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 5th of July next, at three in the Afternoon, the Lands and Fishertoun of Peterhead with the Pertinents, and others belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Parish of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen, the yearly Rental whereof, amounts to 191 Bolls 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls and 2 Pecks 1 3d Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80. 4. 1 1 6th Sterling of Money Rent and Feu Duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Ministers Stipend. Item the Pens of 37 Houses in Stonehaven, and Fish Boats in the said Town, belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Sheriffdom of Kincardin, the Free Rent whereof, amounts in all to L. 7. 12. 1 6th Sterling. Any Person who intends to bid for the above Purchase, may see the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of Sale, at the Copartnery's Office.

††† The Parks of PANMURE are to be opened the 24th Inst. for taking in Horses to grafs till Michaelmas next at the following Prices: A Horse 8 L. Scots, A Two-year-old 5 L. A Year-old, 3 L. Horses are taken in at 3 Pence per Night. The Parks are well watered and fenced.

††† The Creditors of THOMAS KINCAID Residenter in Edinburgh, are ordered by the Arbiters to give in their Claims and Instructions thereof to John Stuart Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber above the Royal Coffee-house, upon or before the 1st of June next; to the end the said Arbiters may give further Order concerning the classing of the Creditors and Payment of their Annualrents: Under this Penalty, That such as do not give in their Claims and Instructions thereof in the Time limited, shall be for ever excluded by a Certification, as in an Improbation, in the Terms of the Submission to the said Arbiters.

Excise-Office, Edinburgh May 4th, 1726.

Whereas Mr. George Archibald, Officer of Excise at Falkland, was Way-laid, and most inhumanely beat and abused by two Men and a Boy, when surveying the Country Part of his Division, viz. betwixt Strathmiglo and Aughtermughtie, on the 14th Day of Aprill last 1725. The Commissioners of Excise at Edinburgh, do hereby promise a Reward of Twenty Guineas to any Person who shall discover any or either of them that were guilty of that Barbarity, payable by the said Commissioners, to such Discoverer upon the Conviction of the said Offenders or any or either of them.

Signed by Order of the Commissioners,  
RICH. DOWDESWELL.

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